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To: All Licensed Electricity Distributors
All Other Interested Parties

Re: Provision of Information to Statistics Canada that will reduce the reporting burden on distributors.

The electricity Reporting and Record-Keeping Requirements (the “RRR”) of the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) requires all licensed electricity distributors to submit certain information to the Board on an annual basis. Some of this information is the same as the information that Statistics Canada requires distributors to report under its blue-coloured form “Electric Utility Financial Report Annual 200X”. This information is filed annually with the Board by April 30th for the preceding calendar year whereas the information for Statistics Canada must be filed by June 1st for the preceding calendar year.

To reduce the reporting burden on electricity distributors, the Board has entered into an agreement with Statistics Canada that will allow us to forward this information otherwise required to be filed separately with Statistics Canada to Statistics Canada on your behalf. Please note we will not file the information with Statistics Canada on your behalf unless you provide your express consent to do so. This consent will be achieved through a new prompt screen that will be embedded in the Board’s electronic forms in the Regulatory Information Filing System which will appear when you file. The prompt screen will give distributors two options:

- a. Consent to the Board to file information on behalf of the licensed distributor; or,
- b. Do not consent and the licensed distributor will file information on its own.

When we ask for your consent we will provide you with access to the agreement between the Board and Statistics Canada and attached Appendices so you can see the terms and conditions under which this information will be provided. The Board makes no representation to Statistics Canada as to the accuracy or the reliability of the information provided by the distributor.

In cases where the company is a transmitter and /or generator as well as a distributor, Statistics Canada will continue to collect information related to the transmission/generation business on the “Electric Utility Financial Report Annual 200X” form.

Inquires should be directed to the Market Operations Hotline at 416-440-7604 or by e-mail addressed to market.operations@oeb.gov.on.ca. The Board’s toll free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly

Original signed by

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